

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:

DWIGHT L. ADAMIC, et al

Serial No.: Filed herewith

Group Art Unit: UNKNOWN

Filed: Herewith

Examiner: UNKNOWN

For: TORQUE LOCKING SYSTEM FOR FASTENING A WEAR MEMBER

Attorney Docket No.: 0247.00006

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the above-captioned Patent Application prior to examination thereof. Please amend the application as indicated below, consistent with the instructions found attached hereto:

AMENDED VERSION

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority to Canadian Patent Application
No. 2,312,550, filed June 27, 2000 which is incorporated herein by reference.

09862025.061604

REMARKS

The above amendment adds no new matter and is merely made to claim benefit of priority.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or credit any overpayment in connection with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 11-1449.

Respectfully submitted,

KOHN & ASSOCIATES



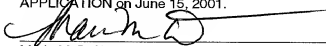
Amy E. Rinaldo
Registration No. 45,791
30500 Northwestern Hwy.
Suite 410
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334
(248) 539-5050

Dated: June 15, 2001

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Express Mail Mailing Label No.: EL 802 961 405 US

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, BOX PATENT APPLICATION on June 15, 2001.


Marie M. DeWitt

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title, please add the following paragraph:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority to Canadian Patent Application
No. 2,312,550, filed June 27, 2000 which is incorporated herein by reference.--

09062927.061601